



**Department of Community Resources and Services  
9830 Patuxent Woods Dr., Columbia, MD 21046**

**Agenda  
Thursday, November 7, 2019**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Members Present:**

**Members Excused:**

**Howard County Government Officials in Attendance:**

**Special Guests:** Katie DiSalvo-Thronson, Community Education and Engagement Manager

**Others in Attendance:**

- 1) Consideration of the October Meeting Minutes
- 2) Old Business
  - a. Update on Commission vacancies (Lisa Terry)
  - b. Update on Veterans Day parade (Ed Hall)
  - c. Update on Veterans Day lakefront ceremony (Bob Gillette)
  - d. Update on HCPSS Veterans Day presentation programs (Bob Moore/Lisa Terry)
  - e. Update on 6888<sup>th</sup> Postal Unit letters of support from Commission and County Executive (Lisa Terry)
- 3) New Business
  - a. Summary of the October Meeting of the Veterans Administration Maryland Health Care System (VAMHCS) Veterans Service Organizations (VSO) and Congressional Stakeholders (CS) Meeting in Baltimore.

- b. Veterans Resource Fair Update
  - c. Howard County Joint Military Council (JMC) significant items
  - d. VFW Post #7472 will hold a Gala on 10 November. All veterans are welcomed to attend. The Gala will feature Voices of Vets, a non-profit performing group that travels the U.S. providing live music to veteran homes.
  - e. Other Veterans Day activities of note (see below)
- 4) Next Commission Meeting Date(s): Dec 5, Jan 2, Feb 6, Mar 5, Apr 21 – Veteran Resource Fair

**November 7 – Howard Community College Veterans Day Breakfast and Ceremony** – Veterans breakfast will be at 9 am to 10 am in the Burrill Galleria, Dragon Commons. The ceremony will start at 10:30 and last no more than 1 hour in the Galleria.

**November 7 - 2019 Fort Meade Community Covenant Council (FMCCC) Signing/Veterans Day Observance**, 12-2pm at Fort George G. Meade newly constructed Mapes/175 Access Control Point. This location demonstrates the great work the FMCCC has done for the installation. Outdoor ceremony so please dress appropriately beginning at 12pm followed immediately by Veterans Day event which will take place at McGill Training Ctr at 2pm. RSVP to [sherry.a.kuiper.civ@mail.mil](mailto:sherry.a.kuiper.civ@mail.mil).

**November 10 – Veterans Day Parade/Ceremony** in downtown Columbia, 9:30am parade step off followed by ceremony on Lakefront.

**November 10 – Veterans Day Gala** at VFW, 5:30pm

**November 10 – Veterans Day Concert** with Columbia Jazz Band, Free code VET2019

**November 11** – Longfellow ES Veteran Parent Recognition Breakfast, Col Lou Schott to speak.

**November 11** – Vet-in-school program at Harpers Choice MS

**November 11** – Support John Way at the **Changemaker Challenge Finals**. Tickets are free but must register.

**November 11** – **Salute to Veterans free concert** with code. MD Veterans Museum in Flier attached. Your code is VETSFREE13. That code takes \$35 off the ticket price so cost will be \$0.

**November 13** – **HoCo Chamber Veterans Day Luncheon** – Future of Downtown Columbia, 11am- 1:30pm. Ten Oaks Ballroom.